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TITLE OF INVENTION	METHOD FOR PRODUCING RECORDING MEDIA HAVING PROTECTIVE OVERCOATS OF HIGHLY TETRAHEDRAL AMORPHOUS CARBON (AS AMENDED)			
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NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

PART I

1. This communication is responsive to 7-8-98
2. All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due course
3. The allowed claims are 1-4, 8-6 and 9-48
4. The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.
5. Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has () been received, () not been received, () been filed in parent application Serial No. _____ filed on _____
6. Note the attached Examiner's Amendment.
7. Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTO-413.
8. Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.
9. Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892.
10. Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449

PART II

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1. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMATION APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED
2. APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAPER
a. Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. _____ CORRECTION IS REQUIRED
b. The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED
c. Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED
d. Formal drawings are now REQUIRED.

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ATTACHMENTS:

- Examiner's Amendment
- Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTO-413
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- Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449

- Notice of Information Application, PTO-152
- Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948
- Listing of Bonded Drawings
- Other

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